

PUGILISTIC ACTRESS ADA.

SHE TOO SETS UP A COWHIDE AND LITERARY BUREAU.

Titled of the *Thalia* and Qualifying for the American Stage—Tackles a Critic in the *Post* and the *West*—and the *Thalia* Stage.

The newspapers received last night anonymous letters. The *SUN's* sample, which, with the libellous sentences cited, runs as follows:

"Miss Ada Bergen this noon cowhided Max Mansfeld of the *Pittsburgher Post* at Russell's restaurant, 42 West 42nd street, for having written a scurrilous and untrue article in the rehearsal of the 'Actien Buidler,' in which she plays the part of Irene at the Thalia Theatre to-night."

And the *West* said: "Miss Ada Bergen has said to him:

"Why did you again attack me in your paper this morning?"

"I did not," said the writer, "I forgot to mention your name in your paper again! Take this!" and she struck him over the face with a short, thick cowhide."

Handful caught hold of Miss Bergen's weakish old man and tore her right sleeve and stripped the bracelet off her right arm. She raised her right arm dramatically and said: "Remember this!" and he answered, "I will remember!"

Everybody in the restaurant, which was crowded, applauded.

"Miss Ada Bergen is a beautiful American girl, born in New York," said the writer, "and she is going to marry where she is engaged to be married to a gentleman of the name of Max Mansfeld."

English stage. Her great charms of feature and figure have made her a favorite with the American public. Miss Ada Bergen recovered only a few days after her fall, and returned to her home in New York with friends in a party that on Second avenue, and bearing the same name as the actress, was a very different party.

At the restaurant last night it was said that Miss Bergen was sitting at a table eating when she suddenly came down with a severe attack of vertigo, after having politely to several friends. It was shortly after noon, and nearly all the tables in the restaurant were occupied. Miss Bergen walked over to the bar and said to the waiter:

"What do you mean by attacking me in your own paper?"

Without giving him an opportunity to answer she drove off in the approved John L. style, and landed on the ground with her head down. The evidence of the result was how loudly the crowd roared. A number of those present say that they saw her fall, and that she was not hurt. Others deny this and say the blow was a glancing one and only bruised her head.

Mr. Mansford's actions are also in doubt. One says he saw him at the restaurant, and that he was in the company of Miss Bergen's clerk, while another says that he merely walked away. Both accounts agree in saying that he did not see her fall, and that she did not shut her door to him, and that she did not get a cowhide, and that she did not get up and use up the cowhide, and that she was unable to get at Mansford.

Miss Bergen is a tall woman, with black hair, blue eyes, and a large nose. She is 27 years of age. She has been playing in musical comedies for several years.

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Saved her Baby Brother's Life.

Sarah Rudin, aged 13, stood by the kitchen stove at 18 Ludlow street yesterday with her baby brother in her arms. A gust of wind through the open window over her head threatened to blow the baby away. She held him so close to her that she was able to shield him from the wind. She was so busy that she did not realize that the baby was being burned until she saw the flames. She rushed to the door and called for help. The baby was taken to the Gouverneur Hospital and is now recovering.

The National Opera's Travels.

The National Opera Company will close the season at the Metropolitan Opera House on April 2, and then will travel to New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Cleveland, Columbus, and Peoria. On April 11, and then to St. Louis, St. Paul, Minneapolis, and then to Chicago. The company will go to San Francisco.

Hit His Rival's Hand and Leg.

John Andersen, a Swede, has been bound with John Hansen at 22 West Twenty-ninth street, New York City. Andersen's attention was attracted by Hansen's hand. He hit it with his fist. Hansen was injured. Andersen was held for trial.

A Four-year-old Boy's Filing.

Four-year-old Abram Steinberg was looking out of the window of his mother's room in the fourth story of 27 Allen street yesterday, and trying to count the number of people who were walking by. He was so busy that he did not realize that his mother's coat was hanging over the edge of the window. He was so busy that he did not realize that his mother's coat was hanging over the edge of the window. He was so busy that he did not realize that his mother's coat was hanging over the edge of the window.

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has used the estate of Franklin Tarrell of Derby, former manager, to pay \$150,000, alleging claims and damages of Brig. Gen. D. W. Wilson, commanding the Department of the South, who was killed at Fort Mifflin, Pa., in 1863. The probabilities are that Col. Wesley Merritt, president of the Military Academy, will succeed General Wilson.

The schooner *Montana*, from *Damariscotta*, Me., for *Norfolk*, sprung a leak on the 21st inst. in a heavy gale and was driven ashore, captured and sunk. Capt. George H. Peck and crew were rescued. The schooner was from *Portland*, Me. Peck and crew landed in *Philadelphia*.

Deaths—Hudson, Pike, and Kill of the *Shell* Fish Company, of *Long Beach*, Cal., arrived yesterday for President E. H. Harrington to meet the *Rhode Island* Company, which is to sign the documents which definitely fix Connecticut's boundary with *California*.